

FISCAL NOTE

TO: Chief Clerk of the Senate
Chief Clerk of the House

FROM: James A. Davenport, Executive Director

DATE: April 12, 1995

SUBJECT: **HB 309 - SB 962**

This bill, if enacted, will amend the Lobbyist Registration and Disclosure Law by requiring individuals lobbying local government officials and local government employees to register as lobbyists with the Registry of Election Finance.

Present law requires only those persons lobbying state government officials and employees to register.

Also, the bill requires a registered lobbyist to file an annual lobbying activities report for each client for which the lobbyist has registered. In addition, each lobbyist's client will be required to file an annual report disclosing expenditures made for the purpose of lobbying, including anything of value provided to state and local government officials and employees. Both a lobbyist and a client of the lobbyist will be required to maintain financial records of expenditures for lobbying activities for two years.

The fiscal impact from enactment of this bill is estimated to be an increase in state expenditures of approximately \$67,000 for two staff positions and related costs. Details are shown below:

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Compliance officer/investigator	\$23,000
Computer data entry/secretarial	20,000
Benefits	9,900
Office space	2,800
Travel	5,000
Postage, printing, telephone	1,500
Office equipment & furniture (one-time)	<u>4,700</u>
	<u>\$66,900</u>

Enactment of this bill is also estimated to result in a increase in state revenues of approximately \$25,000. This estimate assumes an additional 1,000 persons will register as lobbyists and pay a \$25 lobbyist registration fee.

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James A. Davenport, Executive Director